

Thrift shop a booming business

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Not many businesses can say they're expanding in this tough economic climate, but the Duxbury Thrift Shop recently moved to a new location that's double the size of their old store.

The shop moved across Foodie's Plaza from their old location next to the Duxbury Post Office, to the former Video Scene store.

The Thrift Shop held a grand opening Tuesday morning, and the shop was teeming with customers looking for post-Christmas bargains and secondhand merchandise.

"In these economic times, people are really discovering a thrift store is a great place to find great things at a bargain," said Thrift Shop Vice President Renee Beaty.

The shop accepts donations, which can be written off as a tax deduction, as well as consignments, with the shop selling merchandise for a customer, who then gets 60 percent of the profit and the shop keeps the other 40 percent.

All money made by the Duxbury Thrift Shop goes toward scholarships for Duxbury High School students, said Beaty. The scholarships are usually in the \$1,000 to \$2,000 range. Last year, the Thrift Shop gave out over \$40,000 to DHS students.

Beaty said the move was inevitable, as the shop was simply outgrowing its old space.

"We had maxed out at the other store," she said. "We had to turn people away."

They had moved into the space next to the post office

after outgrowing another location, Beaty said, and sales continued to increase.

"This is a space we can grow into and be in for a long time," she said.

The Duxbury Thrift and

Consignment Shop is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. They accept consignments until 3 p.m. Call 781-934-9014 for more information.



Duxbury Thrift Shop President Lydia Hart and Vice President Renee Beaty were encouraged by the turnout at the shop's grand opening in its new location Tuesday.



The Thrift Shop had to look for bigger quarters after outgrowing its old location. The business is booming — a by-product of the tough economic times, say the people who run the shop.



The shop had a steady flow of customers for its grand opening on Tuesday. The store moved across Foodie's Plaza and expanded. They were formerly located next to the post office, a spot now occupied by the "Gotta Dance Studio."